Competitive Minesweeper Product Backlog

Problem Statement: Traditional minesweeper lacks any way to determine better players, or to set up non-random game-play boards. We propose a competitive multiplayer version of minesweeper, in which two players will connect over a network, set up each other's board, and then compete to determine who can get the better score.

Background Information: Minesweeper is a simple yet challenging mind game where players are challenged to clear a board without hitting any mines. However, many people are interested in interactive games where they can share the experience with friends. We are attempting to make a version that keeps the simplicity of the traditional minesweeper yet allows players to compete against one another.

Environment: We will be using standard desktop Java to develop our application, and no external libraries or databases will be required.

Functional Requirements:

| Backlog ID | Functional Requirements | Hours |
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| 1 | As a user, I would like to be able to play traditional minesweeper on a generated board | 20 |
| 2 | As a user, I would like to be able to create a minesweeper board | 5 |
| 3 | As a user, I would like to be able to play on a created board | 1 |
| 4 | As as user, I would like to be able to save high scores for a specific board | 1 |
| 5 | As a user, I would like to be able to save a created board for later use | 1 |
| 6 | As a user, I would like to be able to play on multiple board sizes | 2 |

| 7 | As a user, I would like to trade boards with another player | 3 |
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| 8 | As a user, I would like to view the other player playing my board while I play theirs | 7 |
| 9 | As a user, I would like to be able to chat with my opponent | 5 |
| 10 | As a user, I would like to be able to see a list of people looking for opponents | 10 |
| 11 | As a user, I would like to be able to select an opponent to challenge | 2 |
| | Total | 57 |

Non-Functional Requirements: The opponent challenging system should be reliable and quickly connect players together. The high scores should accurately update and not be modifiable.

Case: Play Traditional Minesweeper

- 1. Press new game
- 3. Attempt to clear the board

Case: Create board

- 1. Press Menu> Create board
- 3. Enter board size
- 5. Place mines on board
- 6. Press save board
- 8. Input board filename

Case: Play a created board

- 1. Press Menu> Load board
- 3. Select a board
- 5. Attempt to clear the board

Case: Save High Scores

1. Complete board

System Responses

- 2. A fresh board appears
- 2. A size dialog appears
- 4. A blank board appears of selected size
- 7. Save dialog appears
- 9. Board is saved
- 2. A load dialog appears
- 4. The loaded board appears, with all spaces blank
- 2. High Score List appears

4. Input name if necessary

Case: Trade Boards

- 1. Press Menu-> Find a player
- 3. Select a player
- 4. Select trade board
- 6. Select board to trade

Case: Play with opponent

- 1. Press Menu-> Find a player
- 3. Select a player
- 4. Select challenge opponent
- 6. Select board to challenge with
- 10. Attempt to clear board

- 3. If new score is high enough, asks for name
- 5. Save high score
- 2. Available players are displayed
- 5. Board selection dialog appears
- 7. Board trade is initiated
- 2. Available players are displayed
- 5. Board selection dialog appears
- 7. Challenge is initiated
- 8. Chat box appears
- 9. View of other player's progress appears